

SENATE BILL No. 295

DIGEST OF SB 295 (Updated January 29, 2020 6:00 pm - DI 110)

Citations Affected: IC 9-19; IC 20-30; IC 20-31; IC 22-4.1.

Synopsis: Various education matters. Extends the date by which public schools, including charter schools, and accredited nonpublic schools must provide age appropriate research and evidence based or research or evidence based instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse to students. Provides that, beginning July 1,2021, the department of workforce development (department) must implement a new Indiana career explorer program (program). Establishes requirements for the program. Requires the department to issue, not later than December 31, 2020, a request for proposals regarding the part of the program that includes educational and career assessments or tools. Amends grade levels to which certain career exploration models and career preparation models apply. Requires the department of education to prepare, submit, and present orally an annual report to the state board of education, general assembly, and commission for higher education regarding certain computer science metrics. Requires the department of education to post the report on its Internet web site. Removes provisions regarding a pilot program for instruction in and use of the Indiana career explorer program and standards. Removes the requirement that school buses have black reflective tape affixed on the bumpers and sides of the bus.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2020.

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January 9, 2020, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

January 30, 2020, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.



Second Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2020)

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SENATE BILL No. 295

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 9-19-13-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.144-2019
2	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 4. A bus used to transport school children must be
4	equipped as follows:
5	(1) At least two (2) signal lamps mounted as high and as widely
6	spaced laterally as practicable, capable of displaying the front two
7	(2) alternately flashing red lights located at the same level, and
8	having sufficient intensity to be visible at five hundred (500) feet
9	in normal sunlight.
10	(2) Black reflective tape mounted on:
11	(A) each side of the school bus;
12	(B) the front bumper; and
13	(C) the rear bumper.
14	(3) (2) As required by the state school bus committee under
15	IC 20-27-3-4.
16	(4) (3) As required by IC 20-27-9.
17	SECTION 2. IC 20-30-5-5.7, AS ADDED BY P.L.115-2017



1	SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
2	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 5.7. (a) Not later than December 15, 2018, 2020 ,
3	and each December 15 thereafter, each public school, including a
4	charter school, and accredited nonpublic school shall provide age
5	appropriate: and
6	(1) research and evidence based; or
7	(2) research or evidence based;
8	instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse to students in
9	kindergarten through grade 12.
10	(b) The department, in consultation with school safety specialists,
11	and school counselors, school social workers, or school
12	psychologists, shall identify outlines or materials for the instruction
13	described in subsection (a) and incorporate the instruction in
14	kindergarten through grade 12.
15	(c) Any outlines and materials identified under subsection (b)
16	must be demonstrated to be effective and promising.
17	(c) (d) Instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse may be
18	delivered by a school safety specialist, school counselor, or any other
19	person with training and expertise in the area of child abuse and child
20	sexual abuse.
21	SECTION 3. IC 20-30-5-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.57-2018,
22	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
23	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 14. (a) As used in this section, "Indiana career
24	explorer program and standards" refers to the:
25	(1) Internet based system approved by the department of
26	workforce development; and
27	(2) standards established by the department of workforce
28	development that are aligned to interdisciplinary employability
29	skills standards prescribed in subsection (c); (d);
30	that provides students with career and college planning resources. This
31	subsection expires June 30, 2021.
32	(b) This subsection applies beginning July 1, 2021. As used in
33	this section, "Indiana career explorer program" refers to software
34	or an Internet based system approved by the department of
35	workforce development under subsection (m) that provides
36	students with career and college planning resources.
37	(b) (c) To:
38	(1) educate students on the importance of their future career
39	choices;
40	(2) prepare students for the realities inherent in the work
41	environment; and

(3) instill in students work values that will enable them to succeed



1	in their respective careers;
2	each school within a school corporation shall include in the school's
3	curriculum for all students in grades 1 through 12 instruction
4	concerning employment matters and work values described in
5	subsection (c). (d).
6	(c) Not later than July 1, 2019, (d) Each school within a school
7	corporation shall include interdisciplinary employability skills
8	standards established by the department, in conjunction with the
9	department of workforce development, and approved by the state board
10	in the school's curriculum.
11	(d) (e) Each school shall:
12	(1) integrate within the curriculum instruction that is; or
13	(2) conduct activities or special events periodically that are;
14	designed to foster overall career awareness and career development as
15	described in subsection (b). (c).
16	(e) (f) The department shall develop career awareness and career
17	development models as described in subsection (f) (g) to assist schools
18	in complying with this section.
19	(f) (g) The models described in this subsection must be developed
20	in accordance with the following:
21	(1) For grades 1 through 5, career awareness models to introduce
22	students to work values and basic employment concepts.
23	(2) For grades 6 through 8, initial career information models that
24	focus on career choices as they relate to student interest and skills.
25	(3) For grades 9 through 10, 12, career exploration models that
26	offer students insight into future employment options and
27	(4) For grades 11 through 12, career preparation models that
28	provide job or further education counseling, including the
29	following:
30	(A) Initial job counseling, including the use of job service
31	officers to provide school based assessment, information, and
32	guidance on employment options and the rights of students as
33	employees.
34	(B) Workplace orientation visits.
35	(C) On-the-job experience exercises.
36	(g) (h) The department, with assistance from the department of
37	labor and the department of workforce development, shall:
38	(1) develop and make available teacher guides; and
39	(2) conduct seminars or other teacher education activities;
40	to assist teachers in providing the instruction described in this section.
41	(h) (i) The department shall, with assistance from the department of

workforce development, design and implement innovative career



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1	preparation demonstration projects for students in at least grade 9.
2	(i) Beginning July 1, 2017, the department, in consultation with the
3	department of workforce development, shall implement a pilot program
4	for instruction in and use of the Indiana career explorer program and
5	standards by all students in grade 8 attending schools in fifteen (15)
6	schools. The department shall select the following to participate in the
7	pilot program:
8	(1) Five (5) urban schools.
9	(2) Five (5) rural schools.
10	(3) Five (5) suburban schools.
11	The pilot program expires July 1, 2018, unless the department
12	determines that the pilot program should be continued for an additional
13	year. If the department determines that the pilot program should be
14	extended, the department, in consultation with the department of
15	workforce development, shall increase the number of schools involved
16	in the pilot program by at least fifteen (15) additional schools in the
17	second year of the pilot program, if possible based on the interest from
18	schools. The pilot program expires July 1, 2019.
19	(j) Beginning July 1 in the year in which the pilot program described
20	in subsection (i) expires, Each school in a school corporation and each
21	charter school shall include in the school's curriculum state developed
22	career standards for all students in grade 8 that include instruction in
23	and use of either:
24	(1) the Indiana career explorer program and standards; or
25	(2) an alternative Internet based system and standards that provide
26	students with career and college planning resources that have
27	been approved by the state board under subsection (k). (l).
28	This subsection expires June 30, 2021.
29	(k) Beginning July 1, 2021, each school in a school corporation
30	and each charter school:
31	(1) shall include in the school's curriculum state developed
32	career standards for all students in grade 8; and
33	(2) except as required by subdivision (1), may include in the
34	school's curriculum state developed career standards for all
35	students in any grade level;
36	that include instruction in and use of the Indiana career explorer
37	program.
38	(k) (l) A school corporation or charter school may submit a request
39	to the state board to approve an alternative Internet based system and

standards that provide students with career and college planning

resources. The state board, in consultation with the department and the department of workforce development, may approve an alternative



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1	system and standards if the state board determines that the alternative
2	system:
3	(1) has an aptitude assessment tool;
4	(2) contains educational course track information;
5	(3) has a tool for the preparation and development of the
6	graduation plan prescribed in IC 20-30-4, including a parent sign
7	in component;
8	(4) allows access to education and career demand information
9	using data prepared by the department of workforce development;
10	and
11	(5) is aligned to interdisciplinary employability skills standards
12	prescribed in subsection (e). (d).
13	This subsection expires June 30, 2021.
14	(m) Beginning July 1, 2021, the department of workforce
15	development shall implement an Indiana career explorer program
16	that includes software or an Internet based system that does the
17	following:
18	(1) Provides access to education and career demand
19	information using data prepared by the department of
20	workforce development.
21	(2) Provides educational and career assessments or tools that:
22	(A) must include an aptitude and career assessment;
23	(B) is aligned to interdisciplinary employability skills
24	standards prescribed in subsection (d); and
25	(C) may include the following:
26	(i) educational course track information; and
27	(ii) a tool for the preparation and development of the
28	graduation plan prescribed in IC 20-30-4, including a
29	parent sign in component.
30	SECTION 4. IC 20-30-5-14.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
31	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
32	[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14.5. (a) Not later than
33	December 31, 2020, the department of workforce development
34	shall issue a request for proposals in accordance with IC 5-22-9 for
35	the purpose of entering a public-private partnership for the
36	provision of educational and career assessments or tools described
37	in section 14(m)(2) of this chapter.
38	(b) The department of workforce development shall complete
39	the request for proposals process and implement the Indiana
40	career explorer program described in section 14(m) of this chapter

(c) The department of workforce development may adopt rules



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1	under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section and section $14(m)$ of this
2	chapter.
3	(d) This section expires July 1, 2022.
4	SECTION 5. IC 20-30-5-23, AS ADDED BY P.L.132-2018,
5	SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
6	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 23. (a) After June 30, 2021, each public high
7	school, including each charter school, shall offer at least one (1)
8	computer science course as a one (1) semester elective in the public
9	high school's curriculum at least once each school year for high school
10	students.
1	(b) After June 30, 2021, each public school, including each charter
12	school, shall include computer science in the public school's
13	curriculum for students in kindergarten through grade 12. A public
14	high school fulfills the requirements under this subsection by meeting
15	the requirements under subsection (a).
16	(c) If a public school fails to comply with this section, the
17	department shall assist the public school in meeting the requirements
18	under this section.
19	(d) The department shall:
20	(1) prepare an annual report concerning the implementation
21	of computer science courses in public high schools, including
22	charter schools, that includes the information described in
23	subsection (e); and
23 24	(2) submit and present orally, before December 1 of each
25 26	year, the report to the following:
26	(A) The state board.
27	(B) The general assembly.
28	(C) The commission for higher education.
29	The department shall submit the written report to the general
30	assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
31	(e) The report under subsection (d) must include the following
32	information:
33	(1) The total number of computer science courses offered in
34	each public high school, including each charter school, and by
35	each course title approved by the department.
36	(2) The number and percentage of students enrolled in a
37	computer science course disaggregated by:
38	(A) race;
39	(B) gender;
10	(C) grade;
11	(D) ethnicity;
12	(E) limited English language proficiency;



1	(F) free or reduced price lunch status; and
2	(G) eligibility for special education.
3	(3) The number of computer science instructors at each school
4	disaggregated by:
5	(A) gender;
6	(B) certification, if applicable; and
7	(C) academic degree.
8	(4) Any other pertinent matters.
9	(f) The department shall post the report described in subsections
10	(d) and (e) on the department's Internet web site.
11	SECTION 6. IC 20-31-5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.143-2019,
12	SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
13	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 4. (a) A plan must:
14	(1) state objectives for a three (3) year period; and
15	(2) be annually reviewed and revised to accomplish the
16	achievement objectives of the school.
17	(b) A plan must establish objectives for the school to achieve.
18	(c) A plan must address the learning needs of all students, including
19	programs and services for exceptional learners.
20	(d) A plan must specify how and to what extent the school expects
21	to make continuous improvement in all areas of the education system
22	where results are measured by setting benchmarks for progress on an
23	individual school basis.
24	(e) A plan must note specific areas where improvement is needed
25	immediately.
26	(f) On or before November 1 of the year in which the pilot program
27	described in IC 20-30-5-14(i) expires, Each school in a school
28	corporation and each charter school shall include in the plan a
29	summary of how the school will implement the curriculum described
30	in IC 20-30-5-14(f), IC 20-30-5-14(g), including the proposed student
31	activities. A school may subsequently amend the school's plan under
32	this subsection in a manner prescribed by the department. The
33	department shall review the submitted plans under this subsection
34	every two (2) years and may review a plan at random to review the
35	relevancy of the plan to the changing economy. The department shall
36	assist schools in incorporating best practices from around the state.
37	(g) Each year before November 1, the budget agency shall estimate
38	the costs incurred by each school corporation in the immediately
39	preceding school year to implement the curriculum described in
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41	activities, and submit a report of these costs by school corporation to

the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.



1	SECTION 7. IC 22-4.1-25-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.57-2018
2	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 2. (a) The department shall establish and maintain
4	a work ethic certificate program to:
5	(1) connect employers to local school corporations and schools to
6	create a collaborative partnership that benefits the community;
7	(2) provide high school students with an understanding of
8	necessary employability skills for in-demand jobs and allow
9	students an opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the
10	employability skills while in high school; and
11	(3) provide employers with potential employees who understand
12	the values and importance of responsibility and perseverance ir
13	the workplace.
14	(b) The department shall develop the program in consultation with
15	employers, community based programs, and postsecondary educationa
16	institutions. The department shall develop application guidelines for
17	the program.
18	(c) A school corporation, school, consortium of school corporations
19	or schools, or a local workforce development board serving schools
20	may apply to participate in the program at a time and in a manner
21	prescribed by the department.
22	(d) The department shall align the program to interdisciplinary
23	employability skills standards prescribed in IC 20-30-5-14(c)
24	IC 20-30-5-14(d).
25	SECTION 8. An emergency is declared for this act.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 295, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, delete line 17, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 20-30-5-5.7, AS ADDED BY P.L.115-2017, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 5.7. (a) Not later than December 15, 2018, 2020, 2018, 2019

- (1) research and evidence based; or
- (2) research or evidence based;

instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse to students in kindergarten through grade 12.

- (b) The department, in consultation with school safety specialists, and school counselors, school social workers, or school psychologists, shall identify outlines or materials for the instruction described in subsection (a) and incorporate the instruction in kindergarten through grade 12.
- (c) Any outlines and materials identified under subsection (b) must be demonstrated to be effective and promising.
- (c) (d) Instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse may be delivered by a school safety specialist, school counselor, or any other person with training and expertise in the area of child abuse and child sexual abuse.

SECTION 3. IC 20-30-5-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.57-2018, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 14. (a) As used in this section, "Indiana career explorer program and standards" refers to the:

- (1) Internet based system approved by the department of workforce development; and
- (2) standards established by the department of workforce development that are aligned to interdisciplinary employability skills standards prescribed in subsection (c); (d);

that provides students with career and college planning resources. This subsection expires June 30, 2021.

(b) This subsection applies beginning July 1, 2021. As used in this section, "Indiana career explorer program" refers to software



or an Internet based system approved by the department of workforce development under subsection (m) that provides students with career and college planning resources.

(b) (c) To:

- (1) educate students on the importance of their future career choices:
- (2) prepare students for the realities inherent in the work environment; and
- (3) instill in students work values that will enable them to succeed in their respective careers;

each school within a school corporation shall include in the school's curriculum for all students in grades 1 through 12 instruction concerning employment matters and work values described in subsection (c). (d).

- (c) Not later than July 1, 2019, (d) Each school within a school corporation shall include interdisciplinary employability skills standards established by the department, in conjunction with the department of workforce development, and approved by the state board in the school's curriculum.
 - (d) (e) Each school shall:
 - (1) integrate within the curriculum instruction that is; or
- (2) conduct activities or special events periodically that are; designed to foster overall career awareness and career development as described in subsection (b). (c).
- (e) (f) The department shall develop career awareness and career development models as described in subsection (f) (g) to assist schools in complying with this section.
- (f) (g) The models described in this subsection must be developed in accordance with the following:
 - (1) For grades 1 through 5, career awareness models to introduce students to work values and basic employment concepts.
 - (2) For grades 6 through 8, initial career information models that focus on career choices as they relate to student interest and skills.
 - (3) For grades 9 through 10, 12, career exploration models that offer students insight into future employment options and
 - (4) For grades 11 through 12, career preparation models that provide job or further education counseling, including the following:
 - (A) Initial job counseling, including the use of job service officers to provide school based assessment, information, and guidance on employment options and the rights of students as employees.



- (B) Workplace orientation visits.
- (C) On-the-job experience exercises.
- (g) (h) The department, with assistance from the department of labor and the department of workforce development, shall:
 - (1) develop and make available teacher guides; and
- (2) conduct seminars or other teacher education activities; to assist teachers in providing the instruction described in this section.
- (h) (i) The department shall, with assistance from the department of workforce development, design and implement innovative career preparation demonstration projects for students in at least grade 9.
- (i) Beginning July 1, 2017, the department, in consultation with the department of workforce development, shall implement a pilot program for instruction in and use of the Indiana career explorer program and standards by all students in grade 8 attending schools in fifteen (15) schools. The department shall select the following to participate in the pilot program:
 - (1) Five (5) urban schools.
 - (2) Five (5) rural schools.
 - (3) Five (5) suburban schools.

The pilot program expires July 1, 2018, unless the department determines that the pilot program should be continued for an additional year. If the department determines that the pilot program should be extended, the department, in consultation with the department of workforce development, shall increase the number of schools involved in the pilot program by at least fifteen (15) additional schools in the second year of the pilot program, if possible based on the interest from schools. The pilot program expires July 1, 2019.

- (j) Beginning July 1 in the year in which the pilot program described in subsection (i) expires, Each school in a school corporation and each charter school shall include in the school's curriculum state developed career standards for all students in grade 8 that include instruction in and use of either:
 - (1) the Indiana career explorer program and standards; or
 - (2) an alternative Internet based system and standards that provide students with career and college planning resources that have been approved by the state board under subsection (k). (1).

This subsection expires June 30, 2021.

- (k) Beginning July 1, 2021, each school in a school corporation and each charter school:
 - (1) shall include in the school's curriculum state developed career standards for all students in grade 8; and
 - (2) except as required by subdivision (1), may include in the



school's curriculum state developed career standards for all students in any grade level;

that include instruction in and use of the Indiana career explorer program.

- (k) (l) A school corporation or charter school may submit a request to the state board to approve an alternative Internet based system and standards that provide students with career and college planning resources. The state board, in consultation with the department and the department of workforce development, may approve an alternative system and standards if the state board determines that the alternative system:
 - (1) has an aptitude assessment tool;
 - (2) contains educational course track information;
 - (3) has a tool for the preparation and development of the graduation plan prescribed in IC 20-30-4, including a parent sign in component;
 - (4) allows access to education and career demand information using data prepared by the department of workforce development; and
 - (5) is aligned to interdisciplinary employability skills standards prescribed in subsection (c). (d).

This subsection expires June 30, 2021.

- (m) Beginning July 1, 2021, the department of workforce development shall implement an Indiana career explorer program that includes software or an Internet based system that does the following:
 - (1) Provides access to education and career demand information using data prepared by the department of workforce development.
 - (2) Provides educational and career assessments or tools that:
 - (A) must include an aptitude and career assessment;
 - (B) is aligned to interdisciplinary employability skills standards prescribed in subsection (d); and
 - (C) may include the following:
 - (i) educational course track information; and
 - (ii) a tool for the preparation and development of the graduation plan prescribed in IC 20-30-4, including a parent sign in component.

SECTION 4. IC 20-30-5-14.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14.5. (a) Not later than December 31, 2020, the department of workforce development



shall issue a request for proposals in accordance with IC 5-22-9 for the purpose of entering a public-private partnership for the provision of educational and career assessments or tools described in section 14(m)(2) of this chapter.

- (b) The department of workforce development shall complete the request for proposals process and implement the Indiana career explorer program described in section 14(m) of this chapter not later than July 1, 2021.
- (c) The department of workforce development may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section and section 14(m) of this chapter.
 - (d) This section expires July 1, 2022.

SECTION 5. IC 20-30-5-23, AS ADDED BY P.L.132-2018, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 23. (a) After June 30, 2021, each public high school, including each charter school, shall offer at least one (1) computer science course as a one (1) semester elective in the public high school's curriculum at least once each school year for high school students.

- (b) After June 30, 2021, each public school, including each charter school, shall include computer science in the public school's curriculum for students in kindergarten through grade 12. A public high school fulfills the requirements under this subsection by meeting the requirements under subsection (a).
- (c) If a public school fails to comply with this section, the department shall assist the public school in meeting the requirements under this section.
 - (d) The department shall:
 - (1) prepare an annual report concerning the implementation of computer science courses in public high schools, including charter schools, that includes the information described in subsection (e); and
 - (2) submit and present orally, before December 1 of each year, the report to the following:
 - (A) The state board.
 - (B) The general assembly.
 - (C) The commission for higher education.

The department shall submit the written report to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

- (e) The report under subsection (d) must include the following information:
 - (1) The total number of computer science courses offered in



each public high school, including each charter school, and by each course title approved by the department.

- (2) The number and percentage of students enrolled in a computer science course disaggregated by:
 - (A) race;
 - (B) gender;
 - (C) grade;
 - (D) ethnicity;
 - (E) limited English language proficiency;
 - (F) free or reduced price lunch status; and
 - (G) eligibility for special education.
- (3) The number of computer science instructors at each school disaggregated by:
 - (A) gender;
 - (B) certification, if applicable; and
 - (C) academic degree.
- (4) Any other pertinent matters.
- (f) The department shall post the report described in subsections (d) and (e) on the department's Internet web site.

SECTION 6. IC 20-31-5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.143-2019, SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 4. (a) A plan must:

- (1) state objectives for a three (3) year period; and
- (2) be annually reviewed and revised to accomplish the achievement objectives of the school.
- (b) A plan must establish objectives for the school to achieve.
- (c) A plan must address the learning needs of all students, including programs and services for exceptional learners.
- (d) A plan must specify how and to what extent the school expects to make continuous improvement in all areas of the education system where results are measured by setting benchmarks for progress on an individual school basis.
- (e) A plan must note specific areas where improvement is needed immediately.
- (f) On or before November 1 of the year in which the pilot program described in IC 20-30-5-14(i) expires, Each school in a school corporation and each charter school shall include in the plan a summary of how the school will implement the curriculum described in IC 20-30-5-14(f), IC 20-30-5-14(g), including the proposed student activities. A school may subsequently amend the school's plan under this subsection in a manner prescribed by the department. The department shall review the submitted plans under this subsection



every two (2) years and may review a plan at random to review the relevancy of the plan to the changing economy. The department shall assist schools in incorporating best practices from around the state.

(g) Each year before November 1, the budget agency shall estimate the costs incurred by each school corporation in the immediately preceding school year to implement the curriculum described in IC 20-30-5-14(f), IC 20-30-5-14(g), including the proposed student activities, and submit a report of these costs by school corporation to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

SECTION 7. IC 22-4.1-25-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.57-2018, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 2. (a) The department shall establish and maintain a work ethic certificate program to:

- (1) connect employers to local school corporations and schools to create a collaborative partnership that benefits the community;
- (2) provide high school students with an understanding of necessary employability skills for in-demand jobs and allow students an opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the employability skills while in high school; and
- (3) provide employers with potential employees who understand the values and importance of responsibility and perseverance in the workplace.
- (b) The department shall develop the program in consultation with employers, community based programs, and postsecondary educational institutions. The department shall develop application guidelines for the program.
- (c) A school corporation, school, consortium of school corporations or schools, or a local workforce development board serving schools may apply to participate in the program at a time and in a manner prescribed by the department.
- (d) The department shall align the program to interdisciplinary employability skills standards prescribed in IC 20-30-5-14(c). **IC** 20-30-5-14(d).

SECTION 8. An emergency is declared for this act.".

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Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 295 as introduced.)

RAATZ, Chairperson



Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

